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Notice is hereby given that A. Ulna, purchaser of tax certificate No. 1135, dated the 4th day of July, A. D. 1898, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Putnam county, Florida, to wit:

Lot 9 block 259, Palatka.

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of John M. Wilson. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 31st day of Dec., A. D. 1904.

Witness my official signature and seal this 22nd day of Nov., A. D. 1904.

(Seal) JOSEPH PRICE,

Clerk Circuit Court, Putnam Co., Florida.

Crescent City News

CRESCENT CITY.

In one of the most beautiful locations in Florida. Tourists will find it an ideal spot to spend the winter, or pass a few days of keen delight.

The town is on Crescent Lake (an arm of the St. Johns River) and is 100 miles by water, and 77 miles by rail from Jacksonville.

The all day river ride on the steamer Crescent, from Jacksonville to Crescent City, is one of the delightful experiences of Florida travel. The steamer leaves Jacksonville at 8 a. m. every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, reaching Crescent City at 6 p. m. This trip is the only daylight ride up the broad and picturesque St. Johns.

The steamer has pretty cabins and offers a delightful outlook even in stormy weather.

Crescent City is the center of the orange growing industry in middle Florida, and beautiful groves surround the place. The fruit is at its best now.

Good boating, hunting and fishing will afford amusement for sportsmen.

Naptha launches can be secured cheaply for water trips. Crescent City has good hotels and boarding houses at moderate rates.

Beautiful shaded walks and bicycle paths.

Parties in Crescent City desiring to subscribe for this paper or wishing to renew their subscriptions thereto, may leave their names and money with Mr. E. D. Lounds at the postoffice, who is our authorized agent.

CRESCENT CITY TEMPERATURE FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 10th, 1894.—E. D. WILLIAMS, OBSERVER.

	Max.	Min.	for
Dec. 10, Saturday	71	50	24 hrs.
11, Sunday	65	43	71
12, Monday	60	37	62
13, Tuesday	49	29	41
14, Wednesday	50	30	52
15, Thursday	50	35	36
16, Friday	40	24	45

Personal and Social.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Waterman have moved into the Payson cottage south of town.

The Presbyterian Sunday school will have its Christmas tree exercises in V. I. A. hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Libby moved into the second story suite of the Payson flat last Saturday.

Mrs. Capers expects to entertain her son, Mr. T. J. Capers, and bride, during the Christmas holidays.

James McCormick of Brooklyn, New York, arrived last week and is again at Grove Hall for the season.

T. S. Bates and daughter, Mrs. Cornell, went to Palatka, St. Augustine and Jacksonville early in the week.

F. S. Cone has a stock of small articles specially bought for the Christmas time. Holiday shoppers should look them over.

Master Neville Fanning shot a fine specimen eon in the Harp hammock one day last week. The eon will be mounted by Mrs. Cowburn.

W. M. Williams of Sisco was here over night on Sunday. Mr. Williams is in charge of a cypress log pulling camp at the lower end of the lake.

Mrs. Ella S. Weaver and son, Mr. Wm. S. Weaver, returned on Monday night from a week's visit to Palm Beach, Miami and other east coast resorts.

Miss Keeler will arrive the first of January and re-open the Southfield Hotel. Miss Jones, a niece of Hon. and Mrs. Edwin Gilbert, will arrive with Miss Keeler.

Robt. W. Smith of Long Island, who has spent the greater part of the past two seasons at Grove Hall, is this year in California, and will spend the winter in San Francisco.

W. B. Shotwell is building a large row boat for a northern gentleman who is to spend the winter at Lake Como, and the boat will be placed in the lake of that name as soon as completed.

J. L. Bashford of Welaka, the "old war hero" of the confederacy, will make weekly visits here on Thursdays, with a supply of fresh fish, including fresh shad. He will call at homes.

M. E. Rowe, wife and two daughters of Attleboro, Mass., arrived on Saturday evening and will spend the winter here, guests of Mrs. F. S. Crotty. This is their first season in Crescent City.

The steamer Crescent has been thoroughly painted, and the cabins have also been retouched. The steamer is now doing a heavy freight and passenger business both going and coming.

The A. P. Millar cottage, now the property of Mr. Eaton Cliff of Providence, R. I., is being fitted up for the reception of that gentleman and his family who will arrive immediately after the holidays.

C. H. Marsh of Henrietta, N. Y., writes to friends that he expects to eat his Christmas dinner at Grove Hall. That's not far off. Mr. Marsh's Crescent City friends—that's everybody—will be pleased to see him.

Mrs. F. L. Lasier arrived last week and with her came Miss Marquerite and Master Bela Hubbard. Mrs. Henry G. Hubbard and Master Guernsey Hubbard are expected this week, and all will spend the winter at the beautiful home in Hubbard Park, except Master Bela, who will return to school in Staunton, Va., after the holidays.

The Village Improvement Association will give a card party in the hall next Wednesday evening, December 28th. The ladies will serve refreshments during the evening and promise a pleasant time to all who attend.

Stephen Ransome of New York arrived last week and will spend the winter here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Read. Mr. Ransome is not a stranger to our people, having visited Crescent City in several former seasons.

Jethro colored Baptist Sunday school will have a Christmas tree entertainment at the church next Monday night, the 26th inst. This church is now without a pastor, the former pastor, Rev. J. H. Newman, having accepted a call to Miami.

The public school will close today for a two week's vacation. Prof. Moffatt will spend his vacation with his family at Micanopy, and his pupils and all patrons of his excellent school will wish him a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thos. S. Bates offers his home for sale at a price which makes it a bargain. The house is furnished and the lot contains many orange, tangerine, grape fruit, guava, peach and other fruit trees, and ornamental bushes and trees. The house contains six rooms, broad porches and is two stories.

A reading room is to be established in a small way by the V. I. A. in the hall, and the ladies will inaugurate this feature on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon, Jan. 3d and 5th. At first the association will do little more than furnish the leading magazines, but hope this will be but the beginning of enlarged work for the future. The rooms will be open on the afternoons of Tuesdays and Thursdays each week on and after the above dates.

The Crescent City Social club is preparing to give a grand dancing party at V. I. A. Hall on the night of Wednesday, January 4th. The club has already arranged for its music by a Jacksonville orchestra, and every effort will be made to make this party the dancing event of the season. Substantial refreshments will be served during the evening. The club extends an invitation to all young people to participate in this party.

Wm. Davis, the colored man of Pomona, who spent 14 months in the county jail charged with the murder of Jordan R. Little at Lake Como in September 1903, and who was discharged at the last term of the circuit court for lack of evidence, died on Friday last week of malarial fever. Charley Sloan, another negro, testified that Davis fired the shot that killed Little, but as Sloan was a "jail bird," his evidence was not considered sufficient to convict. The other men whom Sloan charged with complicity, absconded, and are still at large. The feeling at Como was strongly against Davis—his guilt was generally believed. Anyway he is now beyond the jurisdiction of the Putnam circuit court.

Mr. Gilbert is Better.

Word comes that Mr. Gilbert's health is much improved and that should the improvement continue, both he and Mrs. Gilbert will come to Crescent City early in the new year.

This will be welcome news to the people of Crescent City, all of whom find pleasure in their annual week-end sojourn to this charming couple, now so well along in years, but whose hearts remain as young as in life's prime.

Mr. Gilbert has been suffering a great deal this fall with an affection of the kidney's and for a time it was feared he would not be able to stand the fatigue of the long trip, but his remarkable vitality has again triumphed and unless there be a relapse we shall all see both he and Mrs. Gilbert soon and with them enjoy the series of bible conference meetings which his generosity has made possible.

Southfield Bible Conference.

The Southfield Bible Conference association has given notice by circulars that the Second Annual sessions of the conference will be held at Crescent City February 22d to March 5th, inclusive, the same to be followed by three weeks of post conference addresses. The following is a partial list of the speakers and singers engaged for the coming session:

C. I. Seefeld, D. D., Dallas, Texas; A. C. Gaebelin, New York; L. S. Chaffer, Northfield, Mass.; and Geo. C. Stephens, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Stebbins, Gospel Singer, will have full charge of the music, and both Mr. and Mrs. Stebbins and Mr. and Mrs. Chaffer will sing.

Much will be made of the Service of Praise, and the new Northfield Hymnal will be used throughout.

All the meetings will be held in the new and elegant Auditorium.

COUGHING SPELL CAUSED DEATH.

Harry Duckwell, aged 25 years, choked to death early yesterday morning at his home, in the presence of his wife and child. He contracted a slight cold a few days ago and paid but little attention to it. Yesterday morning he was seized with a fit of coughing which continued for some time. His wife sent for a physician but before he could arrive, another coughing spell came on and Duckwell died from suffocation.

St. Louis, Globe-Democrat, Dec. 1, 1901. Ballard's Horehound Syrup would have saved him. 25c, 50c, and \$1.00. Sold by Ackerman & Stewart's, Palatka and Lounds' Drug store, Crescent City.

Death of Robt' J. Hubbard.

A telegram to the News from Mr. Robt' J. Hubbard on Monday conveys the sad intelligence of the death of his father, Mr. Robt' J. Hubbard, at his home in Casnovia, N. Y., on Sunday evening last, Dec. 18th. Mr. Hubbard was in the seventy-fifth year of his age. His funeral was held at Casnovia at two o'clock last Wednesday afternoon. The interment was private.

Mr. Robt' J. Hubbard was the owner of "Oakwood," the beautiful winter home and orange grove property on Lake Crescent, three and a half miles down the lake from Crescent City, and here it was that deceased spent many winters surrounded by near relatives and friends who made up his delightful home circle. He was a gentleman of the old school, a school which in these strenuous modern times seems to be rapidly passing. He was a gentleman of wealth, extensive travel and culture, and, withal, a Christian gentleman whose sunny nature seemed to radiate happiness and helpfulness to all who came under his influence.

Mr. Hubbard was the youngest of three brothers, all of whom have had a marked influence for good upon the social life of this place. These three brothers were Frederick, Bela and Robert J. Now they are all in the better world, but the influence of their lives will live here and will long rest upon the community as a benison.

Mr. Hubbard is survived by one son, Mr. Robt' F. Hubbard of Casnovia.

The Farm and Grove.

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THE NEW SOIL INOCULATION.

That soils might be inoculated for the better production of certain crops has been an established fact of farm practice for a number of years. Very recently new attention has been given to the possibilities of the practice through improved methods, for the dissemination of which the U. S. Department of Agriculture is chiefly responsible. A recent article in the Century Magazine, well written and illustrated, has attracted much attention, and is, doubtless, without intent, leading to much misconception and error as to the true facts of soil inoculation. Already the common press, and even the agricultural journals, are devoting much space to the possibilities of the supposed new applications of science to the aid of the farmer. The impression is generally conveyed in these articles that wonderful new discoveries have been made, by the staff of the government department of agriculture, which will revolutionize agricultural practice. I have, therefore, thought best to present the real facts relative to this new inoculation, in the hope of possibly forestalling some of the disappointments sure to follow the attempt to realize some of the impossibilities which the press stories would make easy.

It is unfortunate that these reports and assertions, based on the semi-official article in a great magazine, with illustrations furnished by government officials, must necessarily cause a great deal of misapprehension in a great degree the sanction and authority of official action, carry the weight of the national department. The impression conveyed, if not wholly true to fact, makes the government responsible for the error of judgment, and the result of this misunderstanding of facts.

To judge from some of these press articles sterile soils were to be made fertile, the use of fertilizers be forever unnecessary and that bountiful crops of all kinds were hereafter to be secured by the simple application of the soil with a wonderful new yeast to be furnished free by the beneficent department in Washington.

The real facts are: That the growth of but one variety of plants may be induced by inoculation, and that only the single element of plant food, nitrogen, was influenced by this method of treatment. There is nothing new in all this. Every intelligent farmer for a generation has known that the leguminous crops were all improved, that peas, clover and their kin improved, the productivity of soils by their continued growth thereon. Further, that not all soils naturally possessed the conditions essential to the growth of these crops, but that these conditions were to be secured by inoculating the soil where such crops did not thrive, by small quantities of soil from places where legumes would grow well. The two scientific facts on which these practical methods were based were thoroughly worked out by two German scientists, Wagermann and Nobbe. The former proved the renovative power of the legumes to be located in the nodules found on their roots, and discovered that the cause of their action was due to the presence of a number of bacteria which possessed the function of fixing atmospheric nitrogen, thus securing this element from the air and making it available to the plants on which the nodules grew, and increasing the store of this plant food for the use of subsequent crops. Nobbe went further and established the possibility of developing and applying these bacteria artificially, and made soil inoculation an accepted part of farm practice.

The work of the department of agriculture begins at this point, and consists solely of the method originated by Dr. Moore of the botanical division, of extensively propagating the bacteria and preserving them in a portable form, so that they were durable and portable. He has made soil inoculation a commercial process and greatly facilitated and increased the ease and practical effectiveness of soil inoculation, but he achieves results only such as the use of inoculated soil, or infusions of leguminous roots before accomplished.

The Moore method is a great improvement on previous ones, but it involves no new principle and accomplishes no new result.

The practical advantages and wide adaptations of the Moore method are worthy of great praise. Its originator, and the department of which he is an efficient officer, are entitled to credit for useful achievement.

The press has made much of the

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alleged wonderful generosity of Dr. Moore in patenting his discovery and then deeding it to the American people. It is claimed that he was obliged to secure patent to protect himself, and the public from the theft of his discovery. This is the rankest nonsense. If he really discovered anything new, he and the public were amply protected against theft, as his priority would prevent the possibility of the issue of patent to anyone else, covering the same discovery. The wonderful generosity claimed for him, by others, not by himself, is an insult to him and to all other workers in the field of agricultural science, under government control. Whatever he accomplished was the very work for which he was employed and paid by the government. The entire expense of the investigations was borne by the public treasury, and the public was entitled to all the product of its outlay.

If a case of generosity on the part of a scientist in behalf of the public is sought, and unclaimed, it is to be forced on a worthy discoverer something of value to the farmer the Babcock Test and Dr. Babcock of Wis., supply a far better example. This was a purely mechanical device easily covered by patent, of immense practical value and vast demand, from which the inventor has never sought to secure a bit of personal benefit.

The present case of Dr. Moore and his improved method of practical soil inoculation is not the first in which the progress of agriculture under the present administration has apparently either sought, or willingly accepted, credit to which it had no valid claim. Some three years ago the country was flooded with patent inside papers and lithograph plates, emanating from an establishment in Washington, giving detailed accounts of claimed wonderful food value of a new crop called cassava. The experiments were all conducted at Lake City, Fla., but the credit was all given to the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, without the slightest excuse of foundation.

The recent publications of the department have detailed alleged wonderful results from the growth of tobacco under shade in Coma. The inference to be drawn from all these publications is that the method was originated and introduced by the department. In fact the method was in practical use in Florida 16 years before an officer of the Department first saw what he thought was a good thing in Quincy, Fla. The department does much good work. It would be greater if more inclined to give similar credit to others.

CURED PARALYSIS.

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